

Acmena smithii Low n Leafy

Common Name Lilly Pilly

Height , Miniature Growing (up to 1.5m)

Spread , Narrow (up to 1m)

Growing Conditions Australian Plant, Drought Tolerant, Frost Tender, Frost Free, Full Sun, Low

Maintenance, Low Water Use, Moderate Watering, Part Shade, Prune Well, Tolerates

Dryness, Tolerates Wet Sites, Warm Spot Frost Free, Wind Tolerant

Profile

One of the best landscaping Lilly Pilly's in Australia. Compact, very bushy, naturally self branching from the base. Borders, low hedging or tough container displays.

Low n Leafy is a hardy shrub that will tolerate a wide range of conditions. Heavy frosts can burn foliage, but are not likely to kill plants. Not recommended for Alpine areas.

Uses

Borders, low hedging, Topiary & standards, Container displays, Bird Attracting, Borders, Containers, Evergreen Tree, Foliage, Formal Hedging, Hedging, Native, Ornamental Tree, Screening, Shrubs, Standard, Topiary

Planting

Full sun

Tolerant of a wide range of soil types. Can tolerate salt spray.

Prefer free-draining soil. For heavy clay soils or waterlogged sites addition of plenty of organic matter or raised beds is recommended.

Space plants 80cm apart for hedge or border.

Dig the planting hole twice the width and depth of the pot that is being planted. Backfill with topsoil that has been improved with organic matter. Make sure that the rootball sits no lower than the surrounding soil. Stake young plants if necessary to encourage strong upright growth.

Care

Will tolerate dry soil however regular watering and even moisture levels will result in stronger more vigorous plants.

Mulching is important to protect surface roots from extremes of temperature and helps to retain soil moisture. Mulch should be applied over the soil to 10cm deep. Keep mulch 5cm-10cm away from the base of the plant so as not to impede airflow which may lead to an increase in pest and disease problems.

Prune lightly during the warmer months to maintain shape. More regular trimming maybe required if a hedge or more formal shape is required.

Feed plants regularly with a high quality complete fertiliser.

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